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In addressing this feature in the above rejection, column 2, lines 31-39 of Kamen et al. is being relied on. In column 2, lines 31-39, Kamen et al. discloses that the texture values themselves are not contained in a prestored table..., but rather are calculated or derived from a mathematical function which is used to model the associated texture values.


However, based on the above disclosure, Kamen et al. does not disclose that the mathematical function which is used to model the associated texture values is not in the form of one or a sequence of program commands, as required by the claims. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the presently recited "input identifying data comprises one or a sequence of program commands, the execution of which will result in the generation of a respective procedural texture" is distinguishable over Kamen et al.

The above-described deficiencies of Kamen et al. are also not addressed by either Griffin et al. or Tremblay et al. since these references are being relied on for other features. Thus, the invention of claims 1-11 is not obvious over Kamen et al. alone or, in combination with either Griffin et al. or Tremblay et al. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the above rejection be

reconsidered and withdrawn so that the present application may proceed to issue.

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